

Attachment A

1 17.(new) For managing pervasive devices, a gateway component resident on a workstation, said
2 gateway component being instantiable during synchronisation of said workstation with a
3 pervasive device and comprising:

4 means for transferring a device agent to a pervasive device; and

5 means for transmitting configuration information to the device agent, said agent
6 comprising means for executing configuration commands in response to the configuration
7 information received from the gateway component.

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1 18.(new) A gateway component as defined in claim 17 further including:

2 means for receiving a file from a management server including the address of a specific
3 pervasive device and one or more commands;

4 means for generating device-specific commands based on the received file; and

5 means for forwarding the device-specific commands to the device agent at the specific
6 pervasive device identified in the file received from the management server, said device
7 agent executing the device-specific commands as they are received.

1 19.(new) A gateway component as identified in claim 18 wherein the commands comprise
2 commands for removing files from the specific pervasive device.

1 20.(new) A gateway component as identified in claim 17 further including:

2 means for receiving a file from a management server including the address of a specific

3 pervasive device and one or more commands;

4 means for generating device-specific commands based on the received file; and

5 means for forwarding the device-specific commands to the device agent at the specific
6 pervasive device identified in the file received from the management server, said device
7 agent storing the device-specific commands for execution after all are received.

1 21.(new) A gateway component as identified in claim 20 wherein the commands comprising
2 database or application configuration commands.

1 22.(new) A system for managing pervasive devices,

2 a gateway component resident on a workstation, said gateway component being instantiable
3 during synchronisation of said workstation with a pervasive device and comprising:

4 means for transferring a device agent to a pervasive device, and

5 means for transmitting configuration information to the device agent; and

6 a pervasive device component including the device agent received from the workstation, said
7 device agent including means for executing configuration commands in response to the
8 configuration information received from the gateway component.

1 23.(new) A system as defined in claim 22 wherein the device agent in said pervasive device
2 component includes means for deleting the configuration commands when the pervasive device
3 has been configured.

1 24.(new) A system as defined in claim 23 wherein said pervasive device component includes

2 means for deleting the device agent once configuration is complete.

1 25.(new) A system as defined in claim 22 further including:

2 a controller resident on the workstation for pervasive devices of a given type, said
3 controller instantiating one or more modules during synchronisation of devices of the
4 given type; and

5 an enabling component including means for configuring the controller to add said
6 gateway component as a module to any modules instantiated during synchronisation of
7 pervasive devices of the given type.

1 26.(new) A system as defined in claim 25 wherein said pervasive device is a Palm Computing
2 Platform device and wherein said controller comprises a mask defining any conduit modules
3 which are instantiated during synchronisation of a pervasive device and wherein said enabling
4 component comprises means for configuring said controller to selectively add said gateway
5 component as a module to any modules which are instantiated during synchronisation of said
6 pervasive device.

1 27.(new) A system as defined in claim 22 wherein said device agent, in response to a request
2 from said gateway agent, performs an inventory of software installed on the pervasive device and
3 returns the inventory to said gateway component.

1 28.(new) A method for managing pervasive devices comprising the steps of:

2 instantiating a gateway component to be resident on a workstation during synchronisation
3 of said workstation with a pervasive device,

4 transferring a device agent from the gateway component to the pervasive device;

5 transmitting configuration information from the gateway component to the device agent
6 at the pervasive device, and

7 executing configuration commands at the pervasive device in response to configuration
8 information received from the gateway component.

1 29.(new) A method as defined in claim 28 including the additional step of deleting the
2 configuration commands at the pervasive device when the pervasive device has been configured.

1 30.(new) A system as defined in claim 29 including the additional step of deleting the device
2 agent at the pervasive device once configuration is complete.

1 31.(new) A system as defined in claims 28 - 30 including the additional step of having the
2 device agent at the pervasive device perform an inventory of software installed on the pervasive
3 device and return the inventory to said gateway component.

1 32.(new) A program product comprising a computer usable medium having a computer readable
2 program embodied in said medium, wherein the computer readable program when executed on a
3 computer causes the computer to:

4 instantiate a gateway component resident on a workstation during synchronisation of said
5 workstation with a pervasive device,

6 transfer a device agent from the gateway component to the pervasive device;

7 transmit configuration information from the gateway component to the device agent at the
8 pervasive device, and

9 direct execution of configuration commands at the pervasive device following receipt of

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